

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the amendments set forth above and the below remarks.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for a more descriptive title of the invention, Applicant has amended the title to read "Locally Buffered Cache Extensions having associated Control Parameters to determine use for Cache Allocation on Subsequent Requests."

In response to the Examiner's remarks regarding claim 11, claim 11 has been amended to recite in part "a stored computer program in a computer readable memory, which program when executed by a computer institutes the steps of... ."

In response to the Examiner's request, a query has been made of the attorney handling the prosecution, the inventor, and the assignee for references qualifying as prior art and, while the query did not uncover any prior art that is believed to be reasonably used in a 102 or 103 rejection, Applicant submits herewith an Information Disclosure Statement listing several references. Applicant makes note of the Examiner's waiver of the fee and certification requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 for documents submitted in reply to the Examiner's request.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-12 are allowable over the prior art of record. As the case is believed to be in condition for allowance, an early indication thereof is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigning attorney if there are any questions regarding this Amendment or this application.

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Applicant does not acquiesce to any assertion made by the Examiner that is not specifically addressed herein.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500845.

Respectfully submitted,

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